

# Arkansas Department of Education

### Johnny Key, Commissioner

Transforming Arkansas to lead the nation in student-focused education

November 1, 2019

CONTACT: Kimberly Mundell PHONE: (501) 683-4788

kimberly.mundell@arkansas.gov

#### Proposed Timeline Released for Election of LRSD Board of Directors

**LITTLE ROCK** — Today Arkansas Department of Education Secretary Johnny Key released the proposed timeline for the election of a board of directors for the Little Rock School District.

"This is yet another step toward returning a unified Little Rock School District to local governance," Key said. "This timeline provides the patrons of the district with certainty about the process of implementing the nine board zones and when interested citizens can begin filing for positions on the new board."

The State Board of Education voted on September 20, 2019, to adopt a framework that returns local control to the LRSD through a nine-member board of directors to be elected in November 2020. The framework was amended on October 10, 2019, to clarify that there will be a full return of a unified district to local control. The November election follows the precedent established by the board in 2016 when the Pulaski County Special School District and Helena-West Helena School District held November board elections after a five-year period of state authority.

The proposed timeline can be found at <a href="https://bit.ly/2NxzY5T">https://bit.ly/2NxzY5T</a> and will be discussed at the regular State Board of Education meeting on November 14, 2019. Feedback about the timeline can be emailed to <a href="mailto:ade.lrsdfeedback@arkansas.gov">ade.lrsdfeedback@arkansas.gov</a>.

Follow us on Twitter @ArkansasEd.

<u>Like us on Facebook at Arkansas Department of Education</u>.

<u>Follow us on Instagram at arkansas\_ed</u>.

## ArkansasEd.gov

Arkansas Department of Education Four Capitol Mall Little Rock, AR 72201 501-682-4475

#### Share this email:









emma'

Manage your preferences | Opt out using TrueRemove® Got this as a forward? Sign up to receive our future emails. View this email online.

Four Capitol Mall Little Rock, AR | 72201 US

This email was sent to tiffany.donovan@arkansas.gov.

To continue receiving our emails, add us to your address book.